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Soviets Agree to May 11 Foreign Ministers Talks

Regret Opposition To Poles, Czechs

LONDON (UPI). — Russia on Monday formally agreed to the Western proposal to hold a Foreign Ministers conference in Geneva on May 11, TASS reported.

The agency said Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko received the American, British and French Ambassadors and handed them the reply to Western proposals on a Foreign Ministers and summit conference.

Tass said, "According to information received, the Soviet Government in its notes agrees to the proposal that a conference on Foreign Ministers should be convened in Geneva on May 11 in order to consider questions concerning Germany, including the peace treaty with Germany and the Berlin question." The Russian note was in reply to Western proposals made on March 26.

Summit Conditional

In those notes, the West agreed conditionally to meet the Russians at the summit, but emphasized they wanted a Foreign Ministers meeting first.

The Tass report added that Russia expressed regret that "complete mutual understanding has not yet been reached on the question of the participation of Poland and Czechoslovakia in the conference of Foreign Ministers."

But, it said, "taking into account the attitude of the Western powers, the Russians consider it possible that the questions of participation of Poland and Czechoslovakia should be solved during the conference."

This removed one stumbling block toward future progress. Premier Khrushchev had insisted that the two Communist states participate in talks on the German question.

West Reserved

The Western attitude toward this was one of reserve. They felt that only the occupying powers should discuss Germany.

Tass also said that the Russian note points out "that the question of the representation of the two German states at the conference of Foreign Ministers can be regarded as mutually agreed."

In London, the Foreign Office welcomed Russia's acceptance and said preparations for the meeting will now be started.

A Foreign Office spokesman, in a brief statement, said other points in the Soviet reply will be studied before any further comment. The text of the note has not yet been received.

Doctor Advises Ike To Take Vacation

WASHINGTON (UPI). — President Eisenhower's physician has advised him to take a vacation in a warm climate and get some exercise, White House Press Secretary James C. Hagerty reported Monday.

Mr. Hagerty said White House Physician Maj. Gen. Howard M. C. Snyder and other Presidential staff members have advised the Chief Executive to take a break from official routine.

The President usually goes to Augusta each year just after the Masters' Golf Tournament at Augusta National Golf Club. This year's tourney is scheduled to end Sunday.

"I sincerely hope he can go and I think he'd like to go," Mr. Hagerty told reporters. "He needs some warm climate and some exercise which he has not been able to get."

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles flew to Florida Monday to recuperate from massive radiation treatments for cancer and to ponder a decision on whether to remain in the Cabinet.

The 71-year-old Secretary was accompanied by his wife, a doctor, and a small staff.

Mr. Dulles was thin after his stay of more than a month in Walter Reed Army Hospital. But he appeared in good spirits.

U.K. Trade Official Arrives for Talks

Sir Frank Lee, British Permanent Secretary to the Board of Trade, arrived on Monday in Jerusalem through the Mandelbaum Gate on a visit which is expected to broaden economic relations between Britain and Israel.

Sir Frank, who is on a tour of the Middle East, was received at the Foreign Ministry by the Deputy Director-General and Head of the Economic Division, Mr. Moshe Bartur.

In the afternoon the Board of Trade Secretary was received by the Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol. The British Ambassador, Sir Francis Rundall, was present at the meeting.

Nehru Lashes Peking's Bid To Dictate to Parliament

NEW DELHI. — Prime Minister Nehru told Parliament on Monday that India's sympathies were with the Tibetans, and that India would not submit to dictation from China or any other country.

His remarks were greeted by loud cheers.

Commenting on a Chinese statement that discussion of Tibet in the Indian Parliament would be "unfriendly," Mr. Nehru said, "It should be made clear that Parliament is not going to be limited in its right of discussion by an external or internal authority, though that right has to be exercised with care."

Mr. Nehru repeated Sunday's official denial that India's northeastern border town of Kalimpong had been the command centre of the rebellion as claimed by the Chinese.

There were angry protests in the House when the Prime Minister said that check-posts bordering on Tibet had been instructed not to allow anyone to cross into India unless they had valid travel documents.

'Why Not?'

India, he said, would settle when it arose the question of admitting refugees—including the Dalai Lama—and added that India could not open its borders to half the population of another country. At this point some Members jumped to their feet, pounded desks and demanded, "Why not?"

The Premier added that so far there had not been any increase in the number of persons crossing.

An Independent Member, elderly revolutionary Mahendra Partap, was cheered when he appealed to the Government to grant asylum to every Tibetan who came to India in the same way as he had been given asylum in many countries when he was sought by the British 30 years ago.

Mr. Nehru said questions about political asylum did no good to persons who might seek it. "Whatever I say would make it difficult for those people," he added.

Several members described the Chinese action in Tibet as a threat to India and referred to alleged reports of Chinese troops massing near the Indian border. The Prime Minister said he was completely unaware of any troop concentrations.

Mr. Nehru said India wanted friendly relations with both China and Tibet. Although Indian reactions to anything happening in Tibet were bound to be fairly deep because of her deep feeling of kinship with Tibet "that does not mean we interfere," he declared.

The independent "Hindustan Times" said Tibet is dead. "Let us hold our heads low today. A small country on our border has paid the ultimate penalty for its temerity to aspire to independence."

The "Hindustan Standard" said the Dalai Lama must be given honourable asylum, while the independent "Indian Express" commented when Chinese Communists or Russians are guilty of violence, the Prime Minister appears to go almost out of his way to give them the benefit of the doubt.

In New Delhi Monday night about 400 members of India's right-wing Jan Sangh Party demonstrated outside the Chinese Communist Embassy to protest against China's actions in Tibet. Another demonstration involving 100 persons, was staged outside the Chinese Consulate in Bombay.

TOKYO COURT RULES U.S. TROOPS ILLEGAL

TOKYO. — A Tokyo court on Monday declared the stationing of American troops in Japan is a violation of the Japanese constitution. The statement was made in acquitting seven left-wing students who had demonstrated against the presence of U.S. forces in the country.

The court quoted that portion of the constitution which states that Japan would not enter into a new war. The stationing of foreign troops in the country would contribute toward a risk of entering a war, the tribunal concluded.

The decision could have far-reaching effects in U.S.-Japan relationships.

In Washington, U.S. officials were studying the report on the court action but said they were not ready to comment.

However, outside of official circles, there was conjecture that a higher court would reverse the Tokyo tribunal because another portion of the same constitution states Japan would honour fully treaties in which it participates.

Official comment was not forthcoming, it was believed, because this would appear to be interference in internal Japanese affairs. *(AFP, UPI)*

50 Hurt in Indian Hindu-Moslem Clash

BHOPAL, North India (Reuter). — Fifty persons were injured in clashes in Bhopal on Sunday between Moslems and Hindu holy festival revellers.

Police fired tear-gas shells to disperse the rival groups and took 44 people into custody.

Two magistrates and 13 police were among the injured.

LEBANON POLICE HOLD 15 STRIKERS

Police in Beirut arrested 15 port strikers Monday during demonstrations protesting the employment of scabs to try to break the three-day strike of the 750 workers, the Arab News Agency reported.

BRAWL BARS LIMASSOL TO BRITISH TROOPS

NICOSIA (UPI). — The city of Limassol was declared out of bounds to British troops on Monday after Sunday night's riots in "Heros' Square" in which 15 British servicemen and a British woman were reported to have been injured.

Official Government reaction to the brawl, which involved hundreds in ugly fighting, consisted of only the comment, "No more police inquiries are being made."

The trouble started when two British soldiers, who temporarily had joined the band in the crowded Trocadero Cabaret, were attacked with bottles and chairs after a dispute about whether a Greek number should be played.

Other servicemen were in the cabaret and many more were outside in the square and in nearby streets.

The fighting lasted for nearly two hours. Finally it was broken up by police using tear gas.

Party Hits Byelorussia Regime

MOSCOW (UPI).— "Pravda" reported on Monday that the plenary session of the party's Central Committee of the Byelorussian Republic now meeting in Minsk "sharply criticized the work" of Premier N.E. Avkhimovich and other government and party leaders.

The speakers were reported to have accused Avkhimovich of conservatism, bureaucracy, formalism and of filling responsible posts with men "inadequately trained and lacking initiative, organizational ability and professional competence."

"Pravda" said that the leaders were armchair bureaucrats who "lagged behind life, did not visit collective farms, ignored local organizational needs and who issued decisions without checking up on their fulfilment."

Premier Avkhimovich, his three Vice Premiers I.F. Klimov, A.I. Zolov, V.G. Kanensky, as well as President of the State Planning Commission, S.N. Malinin, Minister of Agriculture M.N. Lutzenko and Minister of Trade A.S. Shavrov were strongly assailed.

The principal charges were made by a member of the Presidium, K.T. Mazurov, First Secretary of the Byelorussian Central Committee.

Byelorussia is the third largest of the 15 constituent republics in the Soviet Union. It has a population of 11 million. It was the second republic whose leaders have come under fire within the last month.

Earlier in March, the First Secretary of the Communist Party of Uzbekistan, A. E. Kamalov, was removed for "failure to cope with his work."

Meinir Advt.

U.K. to Close Airforce Base At Habbaniya

LONDON (INA). — Britain announced on Monday she would close her strategic airbase at Habbaniya in Iraq. The Foreign Office said the 301-man Royal Air Force contingent and their stores there would be brought home "as soon as transport aircraft become available."

The agreement by which Britain maintained the base "lapsed," the Foreign Office said, when Iraq withdrew from the Baghdad Pact.

(Radio Cairo claimed the British withdrawal from the air base was a victory for Arab nationalism because Nasser had mentioned the British presence in his speech in Damascus. But, the radio insisted, the announcement alone was not enough and demanded an exact date when the RAF would leave.)

Habbaniya, about 70 miles from Baghdad, was one of the key staging areas of the R.A.F. in the Middle East.

It was established by Britain in the 1920's, and was one of her oldest bases.

Since 1955, Britain used it for staging purposes only. The Iraqi Air Force occupied it, and it was the focal point of the British training programme for Iraqi fliers and air crew.

The Arab News Agency quoted Turkish sources as saying that General Kassem was ready to conclude economic and cultural pacts with Turkey following Iraq's withdrawal from the Baghdad Pact.

Algerian Rebel 'Premier' to Cairo

TUNIS (UPI).—The Algerian rebel "Premier," Ferhat Abbas, flew to Rome on Monday for a brief stopover on his way to Cairo aboard an Alitalia commercial flight.

Abbas, who is head of the Algerian "Government in Exile," had spent the past few days visiting Tunisian President Habib Bourguiba and other officials here.

He leaves Cairo late next week for India, where he will be the guest of Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru. He also will visit Pakistan.

The rebel leader said he would return to Tunis in about a month.

Egyptian Freighter Detained in Ostend

OSTEND, Belgium. — The Egyptian cargo vessel "Al Kahira" was detained here by police on Monday following investigation into the causes of an explosion which damaged the ship below the waterline and tore a gaping hole in the quay.

Various theories put forward for the cause of the explosion did not exclude the possibility of sabotage.

The ship was sailing from Antwerp to Alexandria with a load of wheat and chemicals.

Arabs Report 'Plot' Uncovered in Israel

An "espionage net" recently uncovered in Israel was "actually an underground organization of Arabs and Jews aimed at overthrowing the present Israel regime," the Egyptian-controlled Middle East News Agency claimed Monday.

MENA also claimed Israel was preparing an aggressive act against a neighbouring Arab country.

Hussein: 'Some' Refugees Could Settle in Arab Lands

WASHINGTON. — King Hussein of Jordan said here Sunday that, in his opinion, settlement of some of the Arab refugees in Arab lands might in part solve the refugee problem.

Interviewed on a network television programme, the young Jordanian monarch, now on a U.S. tour, said in answer to a question that this "might be a possibility," but he ruled out any chance of Jordan negotiating with Israel by itself.

"As far as the Israel-Jordan border is concerned," he stated, "as well as the other Arab frontiers with Israel, the U.N. has a responsibility to try to keep these borders free of complications and problems.

"As far as the future is concerned, no individual Arab state is in a position to enter into negotiations with Israel. It is not Jordan's responsibility, but the responsibility of all Arabs and all Palestinian people, and it is up to the U.N. to find a solution."

Johnston Scheme

Hussein disclosed that the Jordan River Valley Authority plan, submitted several years ago as President Eisenhower's proposal by Mr. Eric Johnston, was unworkable because "there are not only Arab-Israel disagreements on this plan, but disagreements among the Arabs themselves."

On his relationship with Nasser, the Jordanian King said, "Jordan would not accept any leadership that we do not believe in."

He said that Nasser "is not working for the benefit of the Arab people."

He blamed the Cairo Government for opening the door to Soviet penetration of the Mid-East by entering the arms deal with the Soviet Union in 1955.

No Danger 'Now'

Pressed for an opinion on the complaint made recently by some Arab leaders against mass immigration into Israel from East European countries, the King said he saw no "immediate danger" that this immigration would lead to new Israel-Arab hostilities.

"It is a possibility," he said, "maybe not in the immediate future, but ultimately."

Hussein said he did not think it was necessary for his own country to sign a mutual defence pact with the U.S. He believed there was danger of a complete Communist takeover in Iraq, and he thought the Soviet Union planned to take over the whole of the Middle Eastern area to try to deny the Free World the oil of the Middle East.

(INA, Reuter)

B-G Backs Israel Research for U.S.

The Government is not prepared to forbid Israel scientific institutions to conduct research for the U.S., Prime Minister Ben-Gurion said in the Knesset yesterday in reply to a question by Miss E. Wilenska (Communist).

"If the Soviet Union should commission research work from us, we would willingly carry it out," he added.

Miss Wilenska alleged in her question that "deep anxiety among wide circles of the Israel public" was aroused by reports that Israel scientific institutions were carrying out research for the U.S. Army and Nato, and that a mission of the U.S. Air Force in Europe had arrived to study progress in the work on various projects in the Hebrew University, the Technion and the Weizmann Institute.

Alleged 'Anxiety'

She claimed the "anxiety" was over the "great danger of involving our country in the aggressive plans of the U.S. rulers against the peace of the world."

In conclusion, she asked whether the Prime Minister was prepared to cancel these agreements.

Mr. Ben-Gurion's reply follows:

The alleged facts stated in the introduction to the question are without foundation.

The research projects that our scientific institutions are carrying out for the American Government have aroused no anxiety whatsoever among wide circles of the Israel public, and only the propaganda of the Israel Communist Party is aware of aggressive plans by the rulers of the U.S. against the peace of the world.

Would Accept

If the Soviet Union should commission research work from us, we would willingly carry it out.

I know of no research being done here for NATO.

And as to the question itself: We are not prepared to forbid the scientific institutions in Israel to conduct research for the U.S., and the argument that the research serves the military designs of the American Army is nothing but unrestrained incitement against a friendly country which is no less peace-loving than any other country in the world.

HILDEGARD PASSES SUEZ TO EILAT

POST Political Correspondent

The West German freighter Hildegard passed through the Suez Canal early Monday morning on her way to Eilat, where she was expected to arrive late last night.

The 6,000-ton freighter, which left Haifa on Friday with empty holds, is under charter to the Zim Navigation Co. to carry phosphates to the Far East. The dispatch of the Hildegard to Eilat from her former Haifa-Far East run is in line with a previously adopted decision to increase trade with the Far East from the Red Sea port. The freighter will regularly ply the Eilat-Far East route.

Political and shipping quarters pointed out that this decision was made long before the U.A.R.'s unlawful seizure of Israel goods at Port Said, and in no way replaces the Suez Canal route from Haifa to the Far East. Israel shipping quarters are also understood to be preparing shipments to the Far East through the Canal.

Hopes for Nasser's Turn To West Futile—Meir

House Debate

Clearer Thinking on M-E

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Foreign Minister Golda Meir said on Monday that there was no ground for Western circles to hope that Nasser could be attracted to the West. Opening the Knesset debate on the budget of the Foreign Ministry, Mrs. Meir declared:

"Latest developments between Baghdad and Cairo might induce some Western circles to wish again for a strengthening of the Egyptian dictator and for an increase of his power, in the false hope that in this power there is a prospect of attracting him to the West. We have no doubt that such hopes are utterly without foundation, and it seems to me that there are more people who agree with us than otherwise."

Reviewing major political changes in the Middle East and the development of Israel's foreign relations in the course of the past year, Mrs. Meir noted that there has been an almost revolutionary change in the evaluation of Middle East events by most foreign countries.

Area Not Arab

Whereas in the past they tended to regard the Middle East as a homogeneously Arab area, disturbed only by the presence of an incongruous Israel, they have come to acknowledge the fact that the Arabs form less than half the population of the area and that the problem of Palestine is of secondary importance, when compared with the tremendous economic and political difficulties, Mrs. Meir said.

Nasser has come to be recognized for what he is — she continued — an ambitious dictator out to subjugate the other countries of the region. Arab countries have complained to the Security Council against his attempts at subversion.

Referring to Egypt's recent confiscation of Israel cargoes passing through the Suez Canal, in violation of international law, the U.N. Charter and an express resolution of the Security Council, Mrs. Meir stated:

"In the face of these Egyptian violations we have taken steps in the world capitals and at the U.N. and have met with a great deal of understanding. The response of the Governments whom we contacted was based on the realization of the specific injustice suffered by Israel and the concern for the principle of free passage undermined by Nasser's deeds.

"While the most recent ship passed the Canal with its cargo, this does not satisfy us and we are continuing our efforts to ensure that such interference will not recur."

Non-Nasser Nationalism

Mrs. Meir said that recent developments have shown that there exists an Arab nationalism which does not adhere to the slogan of "one empire, one people, one leader" — with Nasser being the leader—but that there are peoples in the Middle East who wish to maintain their independence and violently disagree with Nasser's version of Arab unity.

Surveying the development of Israel's relationship with Asian and African countries, Mrs. Meir noted that 30 Israel technicians were sent to these countries in the past year, while 150 of their nationals came to Israel for training in various fields. Here she mentioned the Afro-Asian seminar on cooperation

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'Pravda' Denies Change in Policy

MOSCOW (Reuter). — "Pravda" on Sunday published an article signed by "Observer" and entitled "Unity of the Arab peoples is the struggle for independence is the guarantee of victory."

The article comments on Abdul Nasser's speech in Damascus on March 21, and says that present relations between Arab states not only do not strengthen their unity in the fight against imperialism, but open a breach in that unity which is being used by colonizers to isolate Arab countries and restore colonial influence in the Near East.

"This is the object," the paper added, "of the abominable slander spread by the enemies of Arab-Soviet friendship about the alleged change in Soviet policy towards the Arab states.

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Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben Zvi on Monday received the former Venezuelan Foreign Minister and Mme. Rene de Sola who arrived on Sunday for a 10-day visit. They were accompanied by the Venezuelan Minister, Dr. Romulo Araujo. Dr. de Sola also visited the Knesset where he was received by the Speaker, Mr. Nahum Nir.

The President on Monday also received the Minister for Religious Affairs, Rabbi Y.M. Toledano. Other visitors to the President on Monday included: Prof. G. Ryckmans of Belgium; Sir Henry d'Avigdor Goldsmid M.P., and Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Jewish Colonization Association, and Lady Goldsmid; Mr. Charles Passman, I.C.A. representative in Israel; Mr. and Mrs. Sheiad and Mr. Moshe Gur-Ari.

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The Minister of Finance, Mr. Levi Eshkol, on Monday received Sir Henry and Lady d'Avigdor Goldsmid who also visited the Hebrew University. They were received there by the University President, Professor B. Mazar, and by Professor N. Bentwich.

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Among the visitors to the Knesset who were received by the Speaker, Mr. Nahum Nir, on Monday were: M. Albert Jan-Sen, former Belgian Minister of Finance; and Professor Stefan Hurwitz, State Controller of Denmark.

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Dr. A. Lerner, Chairman of the English Friends of the Israel Anti-Tuberculosis League, the Minister of Health, Mr. I. Barzilai, and the Director General of the Ministry, Dr. S. Btesh, were on Monday the guests at a luncheon held by the Anti-Tuberculosis League at the King David Hotel in Jerusalem.

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Visitors to the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot on Monday included Mr. Gresham Cooke, M.P., and the Speaker of the Argentine Parliament, Prof. Frederico Fernandez de Monjardin.

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Baron Edmund de Rothschild and Mr. Leon Uris, the author of "Exodus", were entertained to luncheon on Monday by Mr. Meyer W. Weisgal, Chairman of the Weizmann Institute's Executive Council at the San Martin Faculty Club in Rehovot.

A reception for Baron de Rothschild was held by the Chairman of the Tel Aviv Branch of the British Legion and Mrs. L. L. Arnold at their home in Ramat Hasharon on Monday.

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Prof. Stefan Hurwitz and his wife yesterday visited the Jewish National Fund Head Office in Jerusalem.

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Visitors to the Hebrew University yesterday included Sir Franklin Lee, of the British Board of Trade; Mr. Justice H. Faust, and Mrs. Faust, of Berlin.

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Mr. Romi Goldmunz and his two nieces, from Antwerp, visited the Sharei Zedek Hospital on Monday, and were shown around by the Director, Dr. Falk Schlesinger.

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Mr. A. Vaskevitch has been elected President of the Tel Aviv-Jaffa Rotary Club. Mr. A. Rathouse, Secretary, and Mr. F. Somekh, Honorary Treasurer for the year beginning July 1.

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An exhibition of paintings by G. Pol. Georghiou, from Cyprus, will be opened by Mr. Nicolas Argyriou, Greek Charge d'Affaires, at the Bezalel National Museum, at 6 p.m. today.

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Mr. Shmuel Tamir will speak on the "The Emigrants and Those Who Remained" at the Z.O.A. House in Tel Aviv at 8.30 p.m. today under the auspices of the Israel and the British Commonwealth Association.

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Mr. Kamal Mansour will address the Tel Aviv Branch of the Hitahdut Olei Britannia on "The Druse Community in Israel," at 8.15 p.m. today at the Keren Hayesod Hall, 53A Rehov Hayarkon, Tel Aviv.

Dori for S. Africa

Rav-Aluf Ya'akov Dori, President of the Technion, is due to leave on Tuesday for a three-week visit to South Africa as the guest of the South African Technion Society. He will deliver addresses at the universities of Johannesburg and Cape Town, and meet with community leaders in those cities and in Durban, Bulawayo and Salisbury.

Ph.D's for Weizmann I. Research Students

REHOVOT. — Two research students of the Weizmann Institute's Graduate School of Science, Mr. K. Rosenheck, of the Department of Polymer Research, and Mr. J. Shalitin, of the Biophysics Department, have been awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy by the Senate of the Hebrew University and the Weizmann Institute of Science.

THE GLORIA factory in Givat Shaul in Jerusalem has started production of glucose, which is suitable for use in production of boiled sweets, other confectionery, and biscuits.

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LAW REPORT

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In the Supreme Court Sitting as Court of Civil Appeal

Before Justices Agranat, Silberg and Witkon.

Meir Zaslavsky v. Armon Cinema Ltd. (C.A. 72/58.)

District Court's Re-Estimation of Rent Unjustified

The Supreme Court allowed an appeal against a judgment of the Tel Aviv District Court delivered on January 16, 1958 (in C.A. 165/56).

The appellant, Mr. Meir Zaslavsky, is the owner of a building in Tel Aviv in which the Migdal-Or Cinema, owned by the respondents, is situated. The respondents first rented the premises from Mr. Zaslavsky in 1934 and at the time paid him LP120 a month. The rent was raised in 1949 to LP185.500 a month.

After the enactment of the Tenants' Protection Law in 1954, the landlord applied to the Tenancy Tribunal to determine a new rent for the premises. The Tribunal, acting on the provisions of section 29(a) of the Tenants' Protection Law, estimated the rent for each seat in the cinema at IL2 a month and then multiplied this sum by 992 — the total number of seats. The owners of the cinema appealed against his estimate to the District Court, which changed it to IL1.500 per seat per month. The landlord thereupon appealed against this latter decision to the Supreme Court.

Section 29(a) provides that where business premises do not fall into any of the categories specified in the law, the parties are free to agree on the amount of rent payable for them, but failing such agreement either party may apply to the Tenancy Tribunal. Section 29(b) lays down that if an appeal is lodged against the rent as determined by the Tenancy Tribunal, then the court of appeal may re-estimate and re-determine the rent without being bound by the findings of the Tribunal.

Mr. A. Polonsky appeared for the appellant and Mr. M. Caspi for the respondents.

Judgment

Justice Agranat, who delivered the judgment of the Supreme Court, first laid down the principles by which the courts should be guided in applying sections 29 (a) and 29 (b) of the Tenants Protection Law, 1954. It has been held by the Supreme Court, he said, that Section 29 (a) gives the Tenancy Tribunal wide powers of discretion in determining the rent of business premises (see C.A. 245/55, P.D. 10/1261). On the other hand, the legislator has given a court of appeal the power to re-estimate and re-determine the rent without being bound by the Tribunal's findings. This provision, however, does not give the Court of Appeal unbridled discretion to interfere with the decision of the Tribunal but ties this discretion to the principle of non-interference with the estimate of the Tribunal without thorough scrutiny and without weighty and well-founded reasons.

Justice Agranat explained that in enacting section 29 (b) the legislator had been moved by the following three motives (amongst others): that of obviating the need to return a case to the Tribunal in order for the latter to re-estimate the rent; that of introducing some kind of uniformity into the method of assessing rent for similar business premises in the same districts, as the Tribunals would inevitably decide on this question from their own individual viewpoints; and that of giving the courts of appeal a freer hand to interfere if the cause of justice demands it, as when the estimate is exaggerated in either direction.

With all this, however, Justice Agranat pointed out, it must be remembered that the powers given under section 29 (b) are given to a court sitting as a court of appeal and the latter may not, therefore, approach the matter as if it were *tabula rasa* but must consider it in relation to the Tribunal's findings. Nor must the Court of Appeal reverse these findings unless satisfied that they had been derived erroneously or that they cannot in any way, either legally or factually, be justified.

Interference Unjustified

Turning to the case under consideration, Justice Agranat said that the District Court had justified its interference with the Tribunal's estimate on two grounds, the first being that the rate of IL2 per seat was not based on any concrete considerations but on a mere hit-or-miss assessment. The facts showed otherwise, however, he continued, for the Tribunal had enumerated several points which had led them to arrive at their estimate: the building is in a central part of the town; it is provided with air-conditioning by the owner; the main hall is on the ground floor, and the cinema was attended by over 500,000 persons during the course of one year. On the other hand, they had also taken account of the intention of the legislator to place a restriction on rents and only thereafter had estimated the rent at IL2 a seat per month.

Secondly, Justice Agranat continued, the District Court had considered the estimate exaggeratedly high in the light of the previous rent paid by the respondents. But the fact that the rent had been increased by 1,000 per cent is not *per se* a disqualifying factor as the last rent had been fixed 12 years previously, and the test to be applied is the reasonableness of the rent today in view of the special characteristics of the cinema in question. Furthermore, contrary to the opinion of the District Court, there need be no connection between the rate of increase of the rent and the increases specified in the Tenants Protection Law for other business premises, as the legislator has given the Tribunal wide powers of discretion in estimating the rent in cases where the premises do no fit into any of the categories specified in the law (see also C.A. 206/57, Psakim 30/122 and C.A. 183/58, P.D. 12/91), this discretion being subject only to the test of reasonableness. In the present case, he said, the Tribunal had shown no unreasonable exercise of its discretion in the light of the circumstances.

In short, Justice Agranat held, in changing the estimate from IL2 a seat to IL1.500 a seat, the District Court had merely substituted its own opinion for that of the Tribunal without any rational justification for so doing. The appeal should therefore be allowed.

Appeal allowed with IL200 costs.

Judgment given on March 19, 1959.

IT'S THE LAW

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Where to go

• **Meet the Israeli:** — Tourists invited to meet Israelis at home. Information at Government Tourist Office, Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Haifa.

JERUSALEM

• **Zoo:** — Jerusalem Biblical Zoo, 8-6.

• **Film Shows:** — Israel Films daily, 11.30 a.m. Keren Hayesod Hall.

• **Tours:** — Boys' Town Jerusalem, Bayit Vegan (opp. Mt. Herzl): Conducted tours to a Democracy of Youth. Vocational Schools: our youth preparing for the future. Call 62258.

Hebrew University: No conducted tours of the University today.

Spend a morning with Hadassah on a conducted tour starting at 9 a.m. Book for this tour by phoning 4061, Hadassah Club, Straus Health Centre.

• **Exhibitions:** — Scraperboard Drawings by Bernard Bisco (Bucharest), Nora Art Gallery, 9 Ben Maimon Ave., 10-1; 3-6.

Exhibition of Modern Art in Israel Artists House, 10-1; 4-6.

Department of Antiquities, 35 Rehov Shlomo Hamelech. Special exhibition: New finds from the recent excavations at Jaffa, 9-1; 3-5.

• **Bezalel National Museum:** — 9-1; 3.30-6. Permanent exhibition of Jewish ceremonial art; Paintings by Ernest Neuschul-Norland (from England); Great artists as book illustrators; Purim exhibition (prints); Archaeological exhibits and examples of primitive sculpture.

TEL AVIV

• **Israel National Opera:** — "La Traviata," 8.30.

• **Theatre:** — Habimah: "A Touch of the Poet," 8.

Cameri: "A Doll's House," 8. Ohel: "Five Finger Exercise," 8.30.

• **Exhibitions:** — Annual General Exhibition of Israel Artists. Sponsored by the Israel Painters and Sculptors Association. Tel Aviv Museum — Beit Dizengoff, 16 Rothschild Blvd., 10-1; 4-7.

Exhibition of seventeenth century Dutch art, Helena Rubinstein Pavilion of the Tel Aviv Museum. Closing April 7. 9 a.m.-11 p.m.

• **Zoological Gardens:** — Open between 8 a.m.-5 p.m. daily.

• **Z.O.A. House:** — Song Recital by Alberto Pavoncello, 8.30.

Tourist Service (9 a.m.-9 p.m.)

• **Tourist Service:** — Visit Hadassah Club, 80 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 23239.

Wizo Club, 91 Rehov Hayarkon, Tel. 26825. 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

HAIFA

• **Tourist Service:** — Hadassah Club, Youth Aliya Offices, 22 Rehov Hehalutz, Tel. 67955.

• **Exhibitions:** — New Oil Paintings and Drawings by Yosl Bergner. Museum of Modern Art.

Paintings by Y. Haggour, recently returned from Paris. Continuing: Part of Exhibition of Painters from Haifa and the North. Chagall House, 24 U.N.O. Ave., 10-1; 5-8 (except Fridays).

HADERA

• **Theatre:** — Cameri "Tonight We Improvise," 7, 9.15.

TIBERIAS

• **Theatre:** — Habimah: "Lysistrata," Aviv Hall, 6, 9.

ON THE AIR

FIRST PROGRAMME
522, 240 M.

News: Hebrew: 6.30, 7.00 and 7.58 a.m., 1.30, 5.00, 7.00, 9.00 and 11.00 p.m.

English: 2.00 p.m. **French:** 2.15 p.m.

6.30 Religious Service (R). 6.37 Exercises. 6.47 Musical Clock (R). 7.17 Morning Melodies. 8.00 Close Down.

11.00 a.m. Popular Concert: Mehul: Overture "Tanoleon"; Saint-Saens: Introduction and Rondo Capriccioso for Violin and Orchestra, opus 28 (Soloist: Aron Rosand); Alfven: "Midsummer Vigil"; Catalani: Dance of the Water Nymphs from "Loreley"; Bizet: Farandole from "L'Arlesienne"; Rakov: Violin Concerto; Gounod: Overture "Mireille". 12.00 Women's Programme. 12.15 Lunchtime Music. 1.10 Oriental Songs. 1.45 Where to Go? 1.50 Light Music. 2.00 Close Down.

4.30 p.m. Foreign Language News Broadcast. 5.05 Popular Songs and Melodies. 5.30 Torah Lesson by Dr. Nehama Leibowitz. 5.55 A Farming Guidance Programme by O. Kapeliuk and E. Abba. 6.00 Youth Corner. 6.30 Musical Miniature. 6.40 Histadrut Programme. 7.20 Special Newsreel Bulletin including interviews with the Queen of Belgium. 7.35 Light Music. 8.00 Concert by Kol Yisrael Orchestra. Conductor: Aviva Einhorn. Soloist: Isiah Bauer (Violin). Prokofiev: Overture on Hebrew Themes, opus 34. Goldmark: Violin Concerto, in A-minor, opus 28. 8.50 Bible Reading: Jona, chap. 1 & 2. 9.10 Concert (cont.): Debussy: L'Apres midi d'un Faune," prelude. Schumann: Symphony No. 4 in D-minor, op. 120. 10.10 Literary Corner. 10.25 Light Music. 11.10 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME
469, 298.7 & 33.3 M.

IMMIGRANTS' HOUR: 6.00 Chamber Music: Brahms: Sextet in B-flat-major, opus 18, played by the Vienna Concert-House Ensemble. 6.30 Vocal Recital by Hava Nir (Soprano), at the Piano: Arieh Sachs. Duparc, Debussy, Ben-Haim.

7.00 French. 7.30 Yiddish. 8.00 Moghrabit. 8.15 News in Easy Hebrew. 8.30 Ladino. 9.00 Rumanian. 9.15 Hungarian. 9.30 Polish. 9.45 News in English. 10.00 Close Down.

ARABIC PROGRAMME
407 & 41.07 M.

Arabic Programme (including News): 5.30-7.15 a.m. 1.15-2.15 and 5.30-11.15 p.m. Persian 5.15 p.m.

KOL ZION LAGOLA (33.2 M.): **Programme to South Africa:** 6.30 News. 6.40 Topical Talk. 6.45 This Month in the Knesset. 6.55 Hebrew Corner.

Programme to the U.K.: 10.15 News. 10.25 Topical Talk. 10.30 Opening of Youth Aliya World Conference in Jerusalem on the occasion of its 25th Anniversary. Guest Speaker—Mrs. Roosevelt.

ARMY PROGRAMME (48.4, 216, 225 & 235 M.): 6.30 Opening. 6.35 Songs. 7.00 News. 7.15 Requests for Classical Music. Works by Rimsky-Korsakoff & Sibelius. 8.00 For Your Information. 8.30 Marching Tunes. 8.30 Jazz Club. 9.00 News. 9.15 "Soldier's Library." 9.45 Dance Music. 10.30 Close Down.

B.B.C. HEBREW BROADCASTS (19.66, 16.86, 13.92, 13.82 M.): 7.15-7.45 p.m. News. News Talk. Mid-Week Magazine.

MUSIC U.S.A. (19 & 25 M.): Voice of America: 9.00-11.00 p.m. Light Music & Jazz.

CYPRUS BROADCASTING SERVICE — English Programme (434 & 495 M.): 7.45 a.m. News. 12.30 p.m. Midday Melodies. 1.30 News. 4.30 Tuesday Matinee. 7.00 News and Commentary. 7.15 The Ray Charles Singers. 10.00 "My Word." 10.30 Folk Songs & Ballads. 11.00 News.

Jerusalem Honours Liverpool Mayor

Children are Israel's best investment for the future, the Lord Mayor of Liverpool, Mr. Harry Livermore, said in Jerusalem on Monday.

He was speaking at a dinner given at the Eden Hotel by the Mayor of Jerusalem and Mrs. Agron in honour of Alderman and Mrs. Livermore.

Earlier in the day, Mr. Livermore presented Mayor Agron with a handwrought silver plate bearing the crests of the two cities.

The Lord Mayor added that he had been favourably impressed by the country's beauty and progress, especially by the attention Israelis gave to their children's health and education.

Present at the dinner were Deputy-Mayors Jacoby, Ish-Shalom and Kalantar; Mr. A.C. Stewart, C.B.E., British Consul-General in Jerusalem; Mr. S.B. Yeshaya, Jerusalem District Representative; Nitzav Yoav Peleg, head of the Southern Police District; and other distinguished guests.

The Lord Mayor and Mrs. Livermore on Sunday and Monday paid visits to the Chief Rabbinate, the Hebrew University and the Head Office of the Keren Kayemet, in Jerusalem.

(Visitors' Gallery — Page 6)

Dov Joseph To New York for Agency

The Jewish Agency Executive on Monday decided to despatch the Treasurer, Dr. Dov Joseph, to the U.S. to confer with the members of the Executive in New York on budgetary matters. The Executive here will take up the Agency draft budget again upon his return.

The Executive also decided to continue the activities of the Middle Class Loan Fund despite the Finance Ministry's announcement that it is withdrawing from the Fund. It was originally set up by the Jewish Agency, the Finance Ministry and the Bank Leumi.

The head of the Immigration Department, Mr. Yehuda Braginsky, reported on his recent visit to Europe where he inspected the Agency's immigrant selection teams.

HAMASHBIR HAMERKAZI reports an increase of about IL1m. in sales of household and kitchen goods during the past year. Sales in 1957 totalled IL1,764,773 and in 1958 rose to IL2,757,194.

Fourth Knesset Voters' List On Display from Tomorrow

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The Register of Voters for the Fourth Knesset will be on display at 1,000 places throughout the country from April 1.

This was stated in Jerusalem on Monday by Dr. Michael Zilan, Elections Officer in the Ministry of Interior, and Mr. Aharon Gertz, Director of the Office Mechanization Centre in the Prime Minister's Office.

The Register, which will be on display for 16 days, is a series of small booklets listing the voters for each polling district. If all the booklets were placed one atop another, their 40,000 pages containing 1,179,329 names would be 15.5 metres high, it was said.

Any eligible voter whose name is not included in the Register, or is incorrectly listed, should appeal immediately. Special forms are available at each display point. The clerk in attendance has received special instructions in assisting voters to fill in the form.

If the Ministry of Interior has not replied to the appellant by June 7, he should file another appeal with his local district court before June 20.

When all the appeals are in, about another 30,000 names are expected to be added to the Register.

60 Per Cent Can Vote

Mr. Gertz pointed out that, in relation to the population, the number of eligible voters had dropped sharply in the past four years. In 1955, about 70 per cent of the population could vote. To-day, this percentage is 60 per cent, mainly due to the increased proportion of children among the population.

Among the Arab population, which has a high birth rate, the proportion of eligible voters is only 50 per cent.

Mr. Gertz added that Israel was the first country in the world to use I.B.M. machines to draw up a Register, although West Germany and the Philippines were now considering adopting this method.

If the work had been done by hand, it would have taken 500 clerks 35 days, while it took only 20 persons to do the job in that time.

Of the 1,179,329 eligible voters, 93,879 are non-Jews.

Of the total electorate, 419,811 live in the Tel Aviv district; 166,947 in the Haifa district; 103,388 in the Jerusalem district; and 71,614 in the Petah Tikva district.

A Nation of Priests

"The Cohens, Levis and Mizrahis are the big headache in making out a list of voters," Mr. Aharon Gertz, Director of the Office Mechanization Centre, said in Jerusalem on Monday.

"Not only do scores of thousands share these names, but thousands have the same first name as well. We can distinguish them only by their identity card numbers."

Tel Aviv has 6,000 Cohens, 5,000 Levis, 2,400 Mizrahis; Jerusalem has 3,900 Cohens, 2,500 Levis and 2,300 Mizrahis; while Haifa has 2,200 Cohens, 1,400 Levis and 900 Mizrahis.

In addition, there are 2,500 Schwartzes and 2,400 Friedmans in these three cities plus Natanya, Petah Tikva and Ramat Gan.

MEIR

(Continued from Page One)

in which 17 countries took part, and the group of Burmese veterans and their families who are now in Israel studying social and agricultural problems.

The two African Conferences which took place in Accra, where Nasser's attempts to introduce the "Palestine problem" met with no success, "provided us with additional proof that an Afro-Asian united front against Israel no longer exists," the Foreign Minister stated.

India and China

She deplored the absence of diplomatic relations with India and China, which was not due to a lack of willingness on Israel's part "As far as India is concerned, it is our clear impression that the enlightened public opinion in that country is making steady progress towards a correct view of Israel."

At the U.N. there has been a significant change since the Sinai operation, Mrs. Meir said. This resulted from the fact that our estimate of the Middle East situation was borne out by events.

The U.N. Secretary-General, at Israel's request, made attempts to induce Jordan to carry out her undertakings under Article VIII of the General Armistice Agreement, but these have so far been to no avail, Mrs. Meir said.

She reiterated Israel's demand for the reactivation of the Mt. Scopus humanitarian institutions and free access to them as well as to the Holy Places and the Mt. of Olives cemetery, and the obligations of the U.N. to ensure that this provision is put into practice.

Mrs. Meir recalled the satisfaction already expressed by the Prime Minister over the Cyprus agreement and voiced the hope for the establishment of friendly relations and cooperation between Israel and Cyprus.

After discussing Israel's friendly relations with the U.K., the U.S., France, Belgium, Holland, Italy, the Vatican, and Latin American countries, Mrs. Meir called attention to the development of trade with East European countries (excluding the U.S.S.R.). This trade grew by 130 per cent in the past two years. After seven years marked by the absence of any commercial transactions with Czechoslovakia, there has again been some trade with that country.

The Foreign Minister regretted that in spite of Israel's continuous efforts for better relations with the U.S.S.R., no such improvement has taken place and the Soviet press continues its violent attacks upon Israel, thus giving Soviet readers a totally distorted picture of Israel. "Yet we shall continue to strive for better relations."

Concluding, Mrs. Meir said that, even though we might take encouragement from our achievements in the field of foreign relations, "we must not ignore the central problem — at once a security and a political problem: peace with our Arab neighbours. We have faith that such a peace will come about, and in order to bring that day nearer, Israel has to increase its strength in all respects, as well as to widen and intensify her ties with the international community."

100 Tanks, 3,000 Men To Parade on May 13

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — One hundred tanks and 3,000 soldiers, sailors and airmen will file through this city beneath a jet air display in the Independence Day Parade on May 13.

A crowd of half-a-million is anticipated to line the route of the parade, Sgan-Aluf Y. Harari, O.C. The Parade, told the press on Monday.

An announcement on the types of weapons to be displayed to the public for the first time in this year's parade will be made at a later date.

The President, the Prime Minister and the Chief of Staff will receive the parade near the new secondary school, north of Rehov Jabotinsky.

The parade will proceed from the Yarkon bridge along the Petah Tikva Road up to Kikar Hamoshavot, turn left down Rehov Aliya, and continue along Rehov Salameh to Sderot Yerushalayim in Jaffa.

The armour and motorized sections of the parade will continue until the Jaffa terminal, but the footsloggers behind them will march only to the end of Rehov Aliya — a distance of five-and-a-half kilometres.

9,000 Tourist Seats

Work on setting up special stands north of Rehov Jabotinsky has reached an advanced stage. Some 2,500 persons will receive invitations, and the Government Tourist Corporation will have a special stand opposite the saluting base to seat 9,000 tourists at IL8.500 each.

Sgan-Aluf Harari pointed out that an advantage of this route for the parade is the larger vehicle parking spaces very near the stands. Traffic to and from the city will not be paralyzed during the parade hours, but will be diverted from the Natanya road via the Reading Bridge, across the Yarkon.

The parade will start rolling at 8 a.m., led by flag bearers. They will be followed by the armoured column. The air force display will take 10 minutes, before the infantry strides past, six abreast in bodies of 100 men (or women).

The march past is expected to take less than an hour to pass a given spot, and under two-and-a-half hours to complete its entire course.

200,000 VISIT HOBBIES SHOW

TEL AVIV. — Over 200,000 persons have to date visited the Exhibition of Hobbies at Beit Tchernihovsky, the Tenth Anniversary Committee announced on Sunday. The exhibition has been open two months. It will remain open until the first week of May.

The committee said that prizes worth IL1,000 will be distributed among entrance ticket holders.

African Intellectuals Wish to Cooperate

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The necessity of finding political leadership to guide newly-emergent independent African countries along the paths of democracy and individual freedom was discussed by Dr. S. N. Eisenstadt at a recent seminar in Ibadan, Nigeria.

The seminar, called by the Congress for Cultural Freedom, and attended by more than 50 African leaders from a dozen countries and territories of widely differing cultural background, decided to establish machinery to promote pan-African intellectual cooperation.

Dr. Eisenstadt, of the Hebrew University Sociology Department, was one of the non-African guest lecturers. There were no Arab representatives.

Several participants urged constructive political opposition within the new states in order to counter the threat of arbitrary power. Speakers from French-speaking Africa suggested coalition governments as best in the initial period of independence. The need for cooperation in such fields as free movement of persons and goods across national boundaries was generally recognized.

Editor, Journalism Professor Here

TEL AVIV. — Mr. Coleman Harwell, editor of the "Nashville Tennessean," and Prof. Kenneth Olson, Dean Emeritus of Northwestern University's School of Journalism, arrived here on Saturday, on a tour sponsored by the State Department's Cultural Exchange Programme.

The two newspapermen's programme in Israel features lectures at Tel Aviv University, the Journalists Association and Tel Aviv Rotary.

Cinemas

JERUSALEM
3.30, 6.45, 8.45

ARNON: La Chatte (The Cat)
EDEN: High School Confidential
OR GIL: Around the World in 80 Days. 5, 8.30
ORION: The Seventh Voyage of Sinbad
ORNA: Sing Boy Sing
RON: Camp on Blood Island
SEMADAR: The Witches of Salem
ZION: Northwest Mounted Police
TEL OR: Eine Frau die Weiss Was Sie Will
EDISON: Marjorie Morningstar
STUDIO: The Old Man and The Sea

TEL AVIV
3.30, 7.15, 9.15

ALLENBY: Jacobowsky and the Colonel. 3.30, 7, 9.30.
ARMON DAVID: Opernball
CHEN: Teacher's Pet
EDEN: Love Letter. 3.30, 7, 9.
ESTHER: Tea and Sympathy
GAT: Is Your Honeymoon Really Necessary?
MAXIM: Waterloo Bridge
MIGDALOR: Seven Thunders
MOGRABI: The Guns of Fort Petticoat
OPHIR: The Same Sky Above Us
ORION: The Girl from Sweden
PEER: Gun Glory.
SHDEROTH: The Opposite Sex
TAMAR: La Grande Strada Azzurra
TCHELET: The Last Time I Saw Paris.
TEL AVIV: A Streetcar Named Desire
YARON: The Safecracker
ZAFON: Spring in Paris
ZAMIR: Orders to Kill

HAIFA
3.30, 6.45, 9

PEER: The Two-headed Spy
ARMON: Charmants Garcons
EN DOR: Great Day in the Morning.
ORLY: God's Little Acre
MORIAH: Arsène Lupin, Gentleman Burglar
AMPHITHEATRE: The Inn of the Sixth Happiness. 5.30, 8.30.
ORAH: The Perfect Furlough
ATZMON: The Brothers Karamasov.
ORION: Hot Summer Night
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RAMAT GAN
3.45, 7.15, 9.15

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3½% Tavel Dollar	97
4% Reg. Sterling "A" c)	100½
Def. Loan Bonds 6½% f)	102½
4½% Def. Bonds f)	104½
6½ Def. Bonds g)	102
6½% Loc. C. Debs. f)	101
6½% Loc. C. Debs. g)	100
Pal. Elec. pref. sh. (Ldn.)	205
6½% Bonds 58/65 f)	106½
ditto g)	111½
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ditto g)	101
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AssisBejarano ord. "B" sh. reg.	66½
Nesher 6% debs. "A" 52/64	97
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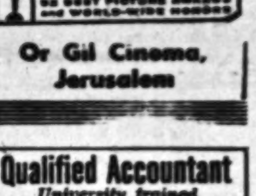

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Tiberias	20	8	0	22
Haifa Port	21	10	0	21
Hatzerim	21	7	0	22
Tel Aviv Klya.	22	11	0	23
Tel Aviv Port	21	12	0	23
Lydda Airport	22	6	0	23
Jerusalem	18	5	0	20
Beersheba	22	3	0	23
Sdom	28	13	0	30
Eilat	28	15	0	27

(A) Humidity at 8 p.m. (B) Minimum temp. (C) Maximum yesterday. (D) Maximum temp. expected today.

ARRIVALS

Mr. E. Adjoboya, Member of the Ghana Parliament, (by B.E.A.).

Mrs. and Mr. Nathan J. Allen, Consul-General of Costa Rica in Israel, from Latin America and Europe.

Mr. Alfred Schoteveld, Chief Accountant of the British Section Federation and the Joint Palestine Appeal, and Mrs. Schoteveld, for a three-week visit, (in the s.s. Theodor Herzl).

Mr. and Mrs. Max Lowenthal, of New York City, for a six-week stay.

Dr. James Banks, the British plastic surgeon, and Mrs. Banks, (aboard their private plane).

Mr. Jack Bayles, a director of the "Diamond" contracting firm in the U.S., (by B.E.A.).

Mr. J. Klinchs, a director of the Landing Klinchs Bank, Zurich, (by Swissair).

Large Crowds Greet Queen

By MALKA RABINOWITZ, Jerusalem Post Reporter

Royalty continued to exert a magnetic pull on Israelis yesterday.

Settlers in Mibbutzim came running at the sight of the impressive motor cavalcade, and an estimated 20,000 Haifa residents lined five kilometres of streets to get a glimpse of the Queen of the Belgians.

The stamina of the Queen through the second day of a wearying schedule, which took her over 200 kilometres of road, was the admiration of her younger, and somewhat flagging, escorts.

At Kibbutz Degania's Natural History Museum, the Queen spent half an hour comparing notes on Belgian and Israel birds with Mr. Ya'acov Palmoni, Curator of the Museum. (Her Majesty has made a study of bird songs.)

She was dressed in a beige shantung suit with a brooch of three square emeralds. To discreetly inquiring V.I.P.s, the Belgian Ambassador explained that crowns are not worn by Belgian royalty.

At Degania, the Queen was presented with a scroll by 11-year-old Hanna Lux, the daughter of the Minister of Agriculture, which stated "we have heard and learned about kings...and now we have the honour of seeing a royal personage with our own eyes."

The party lunched on chicken at Kibbutz Lohamei Hageteot (Ghetto Fighters), for which the hosts, mostly of Polish origin, provided vodka.

Later, Her Majesty was shown through the Holocaust and Ghetto Fighters Museum by Mrs. Miriam Novich, a settler who survived a Nazi concentration camp in France. One exhibit was devoted to documents relating to the German occupation of Belgium.

Queen Elisabeth also visited the ancient synagogue at Kfar Nahum (Capernaum) and the Crypt of St. John at Acre.

She added to the already long list of photographers covering her visit by taking out her own Rolleiflex and snapping colour shots. Among her subjects: a field of yellow flowers and lines of fishing nets along the shores of Lake Kinneret and four camels chewing the cud near Kafr Enna.

Haifa Holiday

Haifa made a holiday of the Queen's visit. At the entrance to the city, a trumpet fanfare was sounded by the Youth Orchestra as the six white-helmeted motorcycle escorts let their sirens go for the first time during the tour. Mayor Abba Khoushy stepped into the Queen's car and the convoy began to move slowly up to the Carmel through crowds that usually gather only on Independence Day. "Vive la reine," shouted hundreds of onlookers.

After tea at the Rothschild Youth Centre, the party left for Jerusalem by rail in the President's carriage.

Today, the Queen will attend the dedication of the Archaeological Institute that bears her name at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem. In the evening, there will be a State reception at the King David Hotel.

("Archaeology at H.U." — P. 6)

Sharett to Open Goldmunz Museum

Jerusalem Post Reporter

NATANYA. — Mr. Moshe Sharett, M.K., will on Wednesday open the Remi and Helen Goldmunz Museum of Art on the sands south of this town, the press was informed on Monday.

The main wing of the museum has been nearly completed with a contribution of IL.250,000 from Mr. Goldmunz, a Belgian diamond processor. The museum when completed will cost IL.1m.

5-Year Posts Plan to Provide Countrywide Direct Dialling

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Direct dialling between all parts of Israel — from Dan to Eilat — is one of the goals of a five-year development plan of the Ministry of Posts which was announced on Monday by the Minister, Mr. Israel Barzilai. The plan would begin in the coming fiscal year and would cost IL.100m.

Opening the Knesset debate on his Ministry's budget, Mr. Barzilai said that 85 per cent of all telephone subscribers, who live in the centre of the country, already enjoy direct dialling. But the remaining 15 per cent are so scattered that the equipment needed in order to provide them with direct dialling would cost more than that linking the present centres. The equipment has already been ordered.

Included in the five-year scheme are plans for the construction of large, modern post offices in places where these are lacking and for the provision of additional postal services.

Other features are the completion of the new broadcasting station transmitting on short and medium wavelengths, and the improvement and expansion of telegraph and radio-telephone connections with other countries.

Although the five-year plan is based on an annual development budget of IL.42m., this year only IL.12.5m. have been allocated for the purpose. The difference would have to be made up in coming years, Mr. Barzilai said.

He also announced that the Ministry was preparing a booklet explaining the new system of telephone charges. This would be distributed to subscribers in the near future.

In the coming years, the country's Telex system is to be connected to the international Telex system, with one line to Europe and another to the U.S. Local Telex subscribers will then be able to communicate directly with any Telex subscriber in Europe or the U.S., Mr. Barzilai said.

English 'Phone Book Due This Summer

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A new English-language telephone directory will probably be issued by the Post Office during the summer. The last one appeared in 1955.

The Hebrew edition of the directory is revised and reissued at intervals of approximately 18 months.

Levanon Opposes Port for Ashdod

TEL AVIV. — Mayor Haim Levanon at a press conference on Monday reiterated his opposition to the establishment of a deep water port at Ashdod.

He presented a recently completed 181-page volume, compiled by the Municipal engineering consultant, Ya'akov Ben-Sira, containing a critical study of the scheme. Mr. Levanon called for a probe into the economic aspects of the plan which, he claimed, would involve the nation in an unwarranted expenditure of some IL500m. He also asked that sea surveys, similar to those carried out at Ashdod, should be made in other suitable areas, such as the Nebi Rubin region, near Rehovot.

Mandatory Pensioners Appeal IL 1—£1 Rate

The Israel Government is under no obligation to pay pensions to former Mandatory employees, Mr. Y. Bar-Or, Tel Aviv District Attorney, declared before the Supreme Court on Sunday. He was appearing in the appeal against a decision of a lower court upholding the Government's right to pay Mandatory pensioners at the old exchange rate of IL1 per £1, instead of at the present rate of IL8 per £1.

He based his contention on the fact that the pension arrangements were not based on any Mandatory law and were therefore not legally binding on the Israel Government. As to the Government's agreement with the British Government concerning the continuation of the pension payments, he claimed that only the Knesset, and not the courts, was authorised to criticize the Government's fulfilment of its foreign undertakings.

Commenting on the District Court's request that the blatant injustice suffered by the pensioners be mitigated in some way, Mr. Bar-Or declared that they were already receiving various additional benefits besides the pension payments.

The appeal is being heard by the President of the Court, Justice Olshan; Justice Agranat and Justice Witkon.

THE PLENARY session of the Jerusalem Labour Council, which met on Monday to mark 10 years of activity following the lifting of the siege of Jerusalem, heard a report by its Secretary, Mr. Moshe Baram.

'Kol Yisrael Can Reject Adverts'

Jerusalem Post Knesset Reporter

Kol Yisrael is not required to broadcast every paid announcement that is submitted to it, the Prime Minister said in the Knesset yesterday.

He was replying to questions by three M.K.'s asking why Kol Yisrael had refused to accept an announcement by the Hebrew University Students Union of a demonstration against higher tuition fees. The questioners were Dr. M. Sneh (Communist), Mr. S. Baba (G.E.), and Mr. H. Rubin (Mapam).

Mr. Ben-Gurion said the Director of Kol Yisrael's news department has the right to reject announcements if no time fit.

He added that it was not the practice to accept announcements of impending strikes or demonstrations, for it was not the task of the radio to aid in organising these.

To Miss E. Vilenska, (Communist), who asked why Kol Yisrael had rejected announcements of Communist meetings, the Prime Minister replied that these were often submitted not in the form of announcements, but as propaganda.

Miss Vilenska, in a supplementary question, said that the announcements contained nothing but the time, the place, and the speaker. Mr. Ben-Gurion replied that if that was really the case he would issue instructions that they be accepted.

Aranne Defends Right To Publish Books

Education Minister Zalman Aranne said yesterday that the Ministry has every right to publish such children's books as were in keeping with its aims.

Winding up the Knesset debate on the Education Ministry budget, Mr. Aranne said that for the time being, and for its own reasons, the Ministry would not publish textbooks. But if and when it decided to do so, no one would stop it.

If the children's books published by private publishers had been of a higher standard and sold at a reasonable price, the Ministry would never have entered the field, Mr. Aranne said.

Talks on Government Staff Wage Demands

Officials of the Civil Service Commission are to meet with representatives of the State Employees Union this week to settle details for the forthcoming negotiations on the demands of the staff committees in the various Government Ministries and agencies. This was decided on Monday at a meeting between the Minister of Finance, the Civil Service Commissioner, and the head of the Histadrut Trades Union Department.

MAY 1 celebrations in Tel Aviv will be comparatively modest this year. The Histadrut reports that for economy reasons the customary Achievements Parade will not take place.

Bee-Keeper Sting For IL 600 Damages

TEL AVIV. — An "international dispute" was settled peacefully in the Tel Aviv Magistrates Court on Monday following an agreement whether "docile" Caucasian bees or their "angry" Israeli sisters had stung four donkeys to death in Ramat Gan in December 1958.

The owner of the donkeys, Mr. Sa'adia Ben-David, filed a suit for IL1,500 in damages against the owner of the Caucasian bees, Mr. Israel Blum, of Givatayim. The respondent, who declared that he was an expert apiarist, claimed that the donkeys were not responsible for the death of the donkeys, but that they had been attacked by a neighbouring swarm of fierce Israeli bees.

The case ended in a compromise, with Mr. Blum agreeing to pay IL600 damages. (Hint.)

Israel Has No News Of Missing Egyptian Pilot

Jerusalem Post Bureau

TEL AVIV. — The Israel authorities have no knowledge of the whereabouts of an Egyptian pilot who disappeared after taking off on a training flight from Abu Sueir airfield, near Ismailia, on February 15, it is learned here.

A request for information about the missing flier, Othman Muharram, was forwarded to the Magen David Adom by the International Red Cross, in Geneva. The request was passed on to the defence authorities.

When Muharram failed to return from his flight, the Egyptian authorities initiated a search for him over the Sinai Peninsula and the Red Sea. After this proved fruitless, they asked the Red Cross to make inquiries here in the belief that he might have landed in Israel.

Infiltrator Says Haifa Couple Aided Him

NAZARETH. — A convicted infiltrator from Jordan on Monday testified that a Haifa couple had sheltered him and had received various stolen goods from him. The witness, 30-year-old Bubbi Abu Kamar, appeared before the Galilee Summary Court Martial which is hearing the charges against Sami Akali and his wife Esin, of Haifa.

Abu Kamar, who had infiltrated into Israel twice and is now serving a six-year prison term, testified that he had received Egyptian currency from the accused and had been instructed by them to infiltrate into Jordan where he was to buy certain goods. He was later arrested in connection with a series of thefts in Haifa and some of the stolen goods was found in the couple's home.

They claimed in their defence that they did not know Abu Kamar and had admitted him into their home out of pity, thinking him a destitute beggar. The verdict will be handed down on April 6.

Egyptian Fishermen Caught Off Ashkelon

HAIFA. — A small fishing boat with a three-man Egyptian crew from Gaza was detained by the Port Police off Ashkelon on Sunday evening. The men were fishing inside Israel territorial waters. The vessel and crew were taken to Haifa Port by a police patrol boat.

Canadian Jewry Praised for Help In Erecting H.U. Law Building

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Canadian Jewry came in for high praise at the formal dedication Monday of the Law Building erected on the Hebrew University campus through the generosity of the Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University. The ceremony in the Wise Auditorium and later at the building where a plaque was unveiled was attended by a host of dignitaries and Canadian representatives.

The President of the University, Prof. B. Mazar, opening the proceedings, said the building was an additional link in the chain of important projects executed by friends of the University in Canada. He paid tribute, as did other speakers, to Mr. Allan Bronfman, National President of the Canadian Friends, and to Mr. Michael Greenblatt, who were present, and to Mr. Justice Freedman, of the Supreme Court of Canada — co-chairman of the project—who sent a message of greetings.

The Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. John G. Diefenbaker, in a message, referred to pleasant memories of his visit to the Law School in 1951.

Mr. Pinhas Rosen, Minister of Justice, after noting the benefit his Ministry had derived from the Law School, observed:

R is sometimes asked whether too many young persons are turning to the legal profession... they forget that in the natural process of the development of our culture in Israel, more and more young people with legal knowledge will be appointed to important administrative posts.

Common Heritage

The Canadian Ambassador, Miss Margaret Meagher, spoke of the common heritage of complete independence of the judiciary, respect for the law, and the supremacy of the individual in Israel and Canada.

Mr. Bronfman, introduced by Prof. Mazar as "the hero of the day," referred to the devotion to the University of Canadian Hadassah-Wizo.

Mr. Justice Ivan C. Rand, of the Supreme Court of Canada, said "Israel is going to serve as a beacon in the Middle East, but also as mediator between West and East."

The Dean, Prof. A. Leventin, dwelt on the development of the School and its support by the Canadian Friends. He said that a surprise awaits the next session of the Board in the shape of a proposed Institute of Legislation and Comparative Law.

The integration of the Tel Aviv School of Law in the University's Law Faculty was described as an important additional task by both Prof. Mazar and Prof. Leventin.

Among those participating in the ceremony were the Knesset Speaker, Mr. Nahum Nir, the President of the Supreme Court, Justice Olshan, Chief Rabbi Nissim, Prof. Norman Bentwich, and Dr. Dov Joseph, M.K.

The Hebrew University Orchestra conducted by Noam Sheriff played Verdi's "Force of Destiny" overture.

Earlier, to mark "Canada Day," Mayor Gershon Agron welcomed a delegation of the Canadian Friends headed by Mr. Bronfman at the Town Hall.

The Kol Yisrael Orchestra gave a Concert under the Canadian conductor, Dr. Alexander Brott, in the Wise Auditorium last night to mark the inauguration of the Faculty of Law Building.

$2,000 Prize Given For '1,000 Words'

A prize of $2,000 has been awarded to Mr. Aaron Rosen, author of popular Hebrew language text books and newspaper columns, by Mr. Rossi Rosenthal, of Toronto, Mr. George S. Wise, Chairman of the Board of Governors, announced yesterday at the formal dedication of the University Law Building.

Mr. Rosen compiled the well-known "Thousand Words" and teaches Hebrew to a number of University teachers, for which he refuses pay.

Infant Mortality Rate Falls

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The infant mortality rate dropped to 30.91 per 1,000 in 1958. This compares with 33.6 in 1957 and 35.56 in 1956, it is learned from the Ministry of Health. The general mortality rate was down to 5.62 per thousand from 6.18 in 1957.

Among the minority communities, the infant mortality rate has been almost halved since the establishment of the State and was 81.3 per 1,000 in 1958.

The Minister of Health, Mr. Israel Barzilai, is expected to announce these figures in the Knesset today (Tuesday) when he reports an increase of IL7.5m. in his Ministry's 1959-60 budget over that for the preceding year. Health services for new immigrants will be allocated IL4.5m.

An increase in hospital capacity, from 3.62 beds per 1,000 last April to 3.8 is also to be announced.

Other points likely to be mentioned are: Last year preventive medicine and rehabilitation kept 70 T.B. patients out of hospital, resulting in a saving of IL.800,000. Some IL.750,000 has been allocated for preventive medicine in combating T.B. and for rehabilitation. A number of patients are unable to be discharged from hospital because of re-settlement difficulties.

Five Ministries are now concerned with food control and sometimes issue contradictory regulations. They are the Ministries of Agriculture, Health, Commerce and Industry, Education, and Finance. The Minister is likely to suggest the creation of a single authority to remedy this situation and to eliminate waste. The Ministry of Commerce and Industry has already agreed to the Ministry of Health controlling the quality of food.

U.S. Grant For Cancer Research

REHOVOT. — The U.S. National Cancer Institute has awarded two Israel scientists a joint research grant of $21,000 per annum for two years to investigate problems connected with the chemotherapy of cancer.

The scientists are Dr. David Lavie, of the Weizmann Institute's organic chemistry department, and Dr. Shimon Gitler, of the Kupat Holim Rogoff Medical Research Institute at the Beilinson Hospital.

They plan to investigate the therapeutical activity of chemicals extracted from Israel plants on tumours induced in experimental animals.

Some years ago the U.S. National Cancer Institute gave Dr. Lavie an annual research grant of $21,000, which has now been almost doubled by the joint award.

Tel Hashomer Aided

The Rockefeller Foundation has granted $10,000 to the Tel Hashomer Government Hospital for continued research on genetic and biochemical changes in people of different origin in Israel. The Foundation awarded the hospital a similar grant last year.

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Cyprus Overtakes Israel In Labour Laws

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"Much of the labour legislation in Cyprus is patterned after that existing in Israel; although in some respects Cyprus has outstripped you."

This was stated in Jerusalem on Monday by Mr. Harold Chudleigh, Commissioner of Labour in Cyprus, who was Jerusalem Regional Inspector of Labour from 1942-48. He is here on a brief visit.

He added that in addition to the usual social welfare benefits the Cyprus Government grants every girl getting married a £10 "dowry," as well as a grant of £5 for each time she gives birth.

Mr. Chudleigh noted that it was a Histadrut official, Mr. Ze'ev Levin, who as a representative of the I.C.F.-T.U. had been instrumental in bringing about a rapprochement between the Greek and Turkish trades unions in Cyprus.

Solel Boneh, through its subsidiary, "was making itself felt" in Cyprus, especially in constructing civil engineering projects for British military installations. Israelis were also active in growing citrus on the island.

Mr. Chudleigh was on Monday received by the Minister of Labour, Mr. Mordechai Namir. He also visited the Histadrut Executive Building in Tel Aviv and conferred with Mr. R. Barkatt, head of the Political Department.

EL AL ON SUNDAY inaugurated its summer flight schedule — 12 weekly return flights to Europe and the U.S. and one to Johannesburg.

NO PRIVACY IN THE MIDDLE EAST.

Iraq Still Undecided Whether To Attend Arab F.M. Meeting

Iraq has apparently altered its absolute refusal to participate in the Arab foreign ministers' conference, which is scheduled to start on Thursday in Beirut. While nothing positive has been forthcoming, Baghdad Radio announced on Monday that Iraq "has not decided" whether or to take part.

The meeting, according to the Sudanese Minister for Foreign Affairs, Ahmed Khetr, should be very brief and will not delve into responsibility for strained affairs between Arab nations, but will seek to settle the differences.

The U.A.R. is expected to be represented at the meeting by Farid Zein e-Din, Deputy Minister for Foreign Affairs, replacing the bed-ridden Foreign Minister, Mahmoud Fawzi.

Cairo Radio, meanwhile, continued its campaign against the Kassem regime in Iraq. The radio called four Iraqi pilots, who were executed last Saturday for trying to bomb Baghdad Radio during the recent revolt, "martyrs" and said the Communists had demanded their immediate execution.

A second Communist demand, Cairo Radio said, was the arming of all pro-Communist elements.

The Egyptian-controlled Middle East News Agency also took a hand in the anti-Kassem campaign. It reported 300 Egyptian teachers had been forced to resign from Baghdad University and high schools and then had been ordered to leave Iraq.

The agency also said that eight foreign representatives of Iraq, including consuls in New York, Istanbul and London, had been put on pension.

The agency reported further that the Iraqi Government had confiscated the property of Sheikh Ahmed el Jawar, of the Shammar Tribe, who fled to Damascus.

The Old City newspaper, "El Jihad," quoted informed Baghdad circles as saying that Kassem would soon grant northern Iraq a decentralized government and was preparing general elections to restore parliamentary government.

Yad Vashem Reception For Prof. Dinur

A reception in honour of the outgoing Chairman of the Yad Vashem Memorial Institute, Prof. Ben-Zion Dinur, was held on Monday by the Institute's management at the Eden Hotel in Jerusalem.

The reception was attended by the Foreign Minister, Mrs. Golda Meir; the Minister of Education and Culture, Mr. Z. Aranne, and by the new Chairman of the Institute, Dr. Arye Kubovy. The speakers praised Prof. Dinur's dedicated work for the Institute and asked that he continue to put his expert advice at its disposal.

New Mortgage Bank Debentures

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The General Mortgage Bank at the beginning of April will issue a new IL5m. series of 6% debentures linked to the dollar to provide funds for the Popular Housing Scheme, it has been announced here.

A meeting of the Board of Directors last week decided that holders of the bank's 4% unlinked debentures from series A, B, C, D, E, may exchange them for debentures of the new series at a rate of 80%. The new debentures are more suited to the present conditions of the capital market, bank officials said.

5 More Cities Coming To Tel Aviv Fair

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. — The cities of London, Amsterdam, Lyons, Toulouse and Detroit have already confirmed that they will participate in the Tel Aviv Jubilee Fair, to open here on August 19, it was announced here by the municipality.

Gets IL20,000 Damages From Bus Company

TEL AVIV. — A cyclist who suffered severe concussion when he was hit by a Dan bus in August 1956, and has since remained mentally unbalanced, was awarded IL20,000 in damages on Monday in a compromise reached between his counsel and the Dan bus cooperative.

The victim, Mr. Reuven Zironi, 42, of Tel Aviv was hit by the bus when it went around a traffic island on Rehov Yehuda Halevi in Tel Aviv. The driver, M. Novitch, admitted that he had not been careful enough in negotiating the turn. Mr. Zironi had originally filed a suit for IL77,000 in damages, but this was later reduced to IL50,000. (Hint.)

Immigrant Choirs Meet in Lydda

A meeting of new immigrants' choirs from all over the country was held in Lydda on Sunday, as the climax to the year's musical activities in hundreds of new settlements. It was the seventh such meeting since the foundation of the State.

Run jointly by the Civic Education and Information Service of the Ministry of Education and Culture, and the Committee for Musical Programmes in Immigrant Settlements (a branch of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation), the movement draws increasing support each year, with participants ranging from Yemenite youngsters from Zavdiel and Tnuvot to residents of "Neve Avot," the old-age home near Pardess Hanna.

The gathering was opened by Mr. I. Miron-Michrovsky, the musical director of the programme, after which the Mayor of the host town greeted the participants and the many invited guests who thronged the Gahilim Cinema, and Mr. Schechter, the head of the Civic Education and Information Service, stressed the importance of choir activities in the process of cultural integration.

Ten selected choirs mounted the stage in turn, their performances interspersed with community singing. Nahal Shorek, an orthodox settlement was represented by separate male and female groups, while the group from Kiryat Malachi won special applause with a rendering of the Negro spiritual "Little David." The Zavdiel singers appeared in traditional Yemenite costume, adding a splash of colour to the attractively arranged stage. Other groups were a children's choir from Tnuvot, the "Mahanch Yisrael" and "Nordiah" choirs, an ensemble from Lydda, the "Goldmark" choir from Jaffa and the Lydda Youth Orchestra.

The closing address was delivered by Mr. Eliezer Peri, the Chairman of the local board of the America-Israel Cultural Foundation, after which certificates were distributed to the participants, as well as to the representatives of 17 other groups who were among the audience. Y.R.

Children's Band For Jerusalem

The Jerusalem Municipality is to establish an elementary school band during the next school year, Deputy Mayor P.J. Jacoby, head of the Education Department, said in Jerusalem on Monday.

The instruments are now on their way to Israel.

The 1959/60 Municipal budget carries a suitable appropriation to finance the band.

THE TWO managers of a football pool, Shaul and Nissim Katzen, were on Monday arrested in Tel Aviv on suspicion of defrauding the public by not distributing prizes to winners in accordance with their firm's announcements in the press.

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Hunting for Ibex—with Needle

Jerusalem Post Reporter

A three-man safari, the leader of which is to be armed with a crossbow shooting an arrow tipped with a hypodermic needle, is to leave Ein Gedi this Passover in an attempt to capture alive a young Nubian ibex.

So far, no Israeli has yet captured an ibex, the fleet-footed, long-horned mountain goat which frequents hilly country in desert areas. When fully grown, ibex weigh about 40-70 kilograms. The animal, if captured, will be brought to the Jerusalem Biblical Zoo as the first of its kind in captivity in Israel.

The expedition is to be headed by Dr. Aharon Shulov, Director of the Zoo, who three months ago received the special cross-bow and arrow from America. The bow is one metre long; the arrow, with attached hypodermic needle, about half a metre.

The hypodermic is to be loaded with succostrine, a drug which temporarily paralyses the animal.

Dr. Shulov has already practised with the weapon on wild dogs crossing from Jordan, as well as on several Barbary sheep at the Zoo. The latter, which are extremely difficult to catch, were rendered unconscious so that their hooves could be trimmed.

Dr. Shulov claims that he can shoot with deadly accuracy with the crossbow up to 30 metres. It has an effective range of 100 metres.

The Ministry of Agriculture has invited him with a hunting licence for the expedition. The secretariat of the Kibbutz at Ein Geddi has promised its full cooperation.

Controls Eased On Jeeps, Station Wagons

TEL AVIV. — Jeeps, station wagons and ambulances may be bought without licence — starting tomorrow, under a new order promulgated by the Ministry of Transport. This follows the recent freeing of controls on the purchase of passenger cars.

Kaiser-Frazer on Monday announced that it could fully meet the local demand for these commercial and utility vehicles, and can offer four different models of jeeps and three types of station wagons. In the past seven years the firm has assembled 6,000 jeeps and 2,000 station wagons, over half the vehicles having been exported, the Kaiser-Frazer spokesman said.

He added that the company could now increase production from 800 to 1,500 vehicles a year and absorb 150 additional workers without any further investment. The main plant in Haifa would begin the production of chassis and engines within a few weeks, it reported.

Weekly Raps Adenauer For Reparations Pact

BONN (INA). — The assertion that the reparations agreement with Israel "automatically brought the Federal Republic into conflict with the Arab world" is made in the current issue of "Der Spiegel."

The weekly, which has the highest circulation in Western Germany, claims that the agreement destroyed West Germany's chance to become, with Arab acclamation, "the leading economic and technical power" in the Middle East following the British and U.S. withdrawal from the area.

The magazine attacks Chancellor Adenauer, charging that he benefited from this "last opportunity." It alleged that, indirectly, the agreement led to his re-election in 1953, as one month following parliamentary ratification of the reparations agreement, "he was able to make a brilliant tour through the U.S. without Jewish and Zionist opposition manifesting."

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THERE have been many official visits and state occasions of late which have been important and valuable, and ROYAL properly valued. The visit VISIT of Queen Elisabeth of the Belgians is a private occasion, sparked entirely by her own initiative and wish to come, and as such becomes an especially privileged occasion.

The Queen carries her years gallantly, and has not hesitated to undertake a gruelling programme on her visit that might dismay many younger guests. But why should she fear a strenuous trip, when in her day she did not fear to oppose the invading Germans at every step, and did not hesitate to intervene personally with the Nazis to save threatened individuals, including many Jews?

She finds here some old friends, foremost among them Mrs. Weizmann, whom she knew well in the days when Israel's first President was making friends for what was then still only a political movement and a hope. The Belgian Queen heard with deep interest what Dr. Weizmann had to tell her of the hopes of a Jewish State, just as she was interested in other profoundly humanist ideas. Friendship linked her to Professor Einstein, whose abiding faith in humanity she valued, and also to Dr. Schweitzer, for whose work and ideas she has long been active. With such personalities as her chosen friends, it was perhaps not surprising that she should have found the strength and courage during the war to achieve so much for persecuted Jews in Belgium.

It also gave her the insight, after the war, that caused her to give support to Youth Aliya, to training schemes for refugees on their way to this country, and her sympathy to illegal immigration in the period before the State was established. It is another aspect of her understanding of the war-time Jewish tragedy that caused her, a few years ago, when she was already over 80, to take a three-hour trip over icy roads to visit the memorial to the victims of the Auschwitz camp, as an action of piety that a European owes to the victim of a European tragedy.

The Queen has come not only to the Holy Land, but to Israel. This is not a matter of political or trading interests, but of the sympathy felt by the people of one small country for those of another, beset by some similar problems. Twice in this century, and in the Queen's life-time, a rapacious neighbour has overrun her country and threatened its very existence. Israel's determination to survive such threats sound a familiar note to her. There is also much of the social progress and organization of Belgium that Israel wishes to copy, and it is only by learning from the experience of other small but forward-looking nations that we can hope in the end to solve our own problems.

When President Ben-Zvi visited Brussels last year to see the World Fair and, particularly, the Israel Pavilion, he and his wife were much touched by the warmth of the welcome they enjoyed. We have good reason to hope that Queen Elisabeth will take back with her when she leaves a similar feeling of hospitality and friendship.

Flood Disaster In Madagascar Town

TANANARIVE, Madagascar, (Reuter). — Nearly 50,000 persons on Sunday quit their homes on the outskirts of Tananarive as the flood disaster following Thursday's cyclone in northern Madagascar spread south to the capital.

The Madagascar Government at a Cabinet meeting which discussed relief measures ordered drastic action to stop black marketing and speculation as food supplies ran short.

Petrol supplies are almost exhausted and all motor vehicles except those on emergency work will be banned from the roads from today (Monday).

Nkrumah Answers Welensky

Accra Offers Good Offices at 'Round Table Conference'

From our Ghana Correspondent

ACCRA.—THE February session of Ghana's Parliament came to an end on Friday, March 20, and the Prime Minister took advantage of the occasion to make a statement on events in Central Africa, since he had been personally accused by the Prime Minister of the Central African Federation, Sir Roy Welensky, of promoting violence in the Federation.

Dr. Nkrumah said that the accusations directed against him "are in fact an attempt to find a scapegoat for the repressive policy now being operated by the colonial powers and European settlers in Africa." The actions of the Government of the Central African Federation put Ghana in an embarrassing position as a member of the Commonwealth for, the Prime Minister declared, "We cannot stand aside and condone repressive actions against unarmed and defenceless Africans with the purpose of strangling their efforts to free themselves from foreign domination." He declared that the policy of repression was causing Britain to forfeit to a large extent the goodwill and confidence of the African people.

Racialism is foreign to the outlook of Ghanaians and there is no wish to run the white man out of Africa, but, the Prime Minister warned the authorities in Central Africa, the settlers must recognize their minority position and adjust themselves accordingly to the democratic principle of one-man-one-vote for all. He challenged the Central African Federation to abandon its employment of gerrymandering methods to maintain white supremacy over the African majority and introduce democracy as it is understood in Ghana as resting "upon the free mandate of the people exercised through the ballot box and the principle of universal adult suffrage."

'Safe-Guarding Minority'

The only solution he could see to the present situation in Central Africa, said Dr. Nkrumah, "is to have all arrested political prisoners released, the legality of their organizations restored and a round-table conference called to work out a constitution which will respect the will of the majority and which will provide safeguards for racial minorities." He proffered the good offices of Ghana if these could help those concerned to bring about an equitable solution, and asserted that "We want to see Africa emerge not only free and independent, but in peace, stability and tranquillity."

Standing in silence for a minute, the House marked its sympathy with those who have suffered in the recent events in Central Africa, and mourned their dead. The members of the House received their leader's statement with enthusiasm under the eyes of members of the Diplomatic Corps seated in the visitors' gallery. Among them was Sir Ian Maclennan, the U.K. High Commissioner, who listened with serious attention and left immediately upon conclusion of the address.

That feeling over events in Central Africa is running high in Ghana was demonstrated later on the same day, when a large demonstration, under the leadership of the secretary of the Convention People's Party, Mr. Bediako Poku, gathered at Accra's luxury government-built hotel, the Ambassador.

The morning papers had announced that a Mr. F. Gordon Harper was to hold a fashion parade of clothes manufactured in Southern Rhodesia. Billed to start at 4.30 p.m., the show was abandoned at 4.31, when Mr. Harper was seen sadly packing up his wares. Crowds of workers and C.P.P. members had descended upon the hotel to let the trade representative of Southern Rhodesia understand in no uncertain way what they thought about his presence in a free African State and his temerity in trying to sell his country's goods here.

Banners declaring, "No British imperialists wanted here," "Africa must be free," "We quit Commonwealth unless you free East Africa," were brandished high, and shouts of "Pack up and leave, Mr. Harper," were hurled. Only the intervention of a high government official, who happened to be passing at the time, helped save Mr. Harper from being manhandled by the crowd, whose temper had been fretted by rude remarks which he had addressed to them. He has since departed quietly and under protective police conduct for Salisbury, Southern Rhodesia.

Visitors' Gallery

Lord Mayor of Liverpool

WITH a Jewish community of 7,000 in a city of 770,000, Liverpool, the world's sixth largest port town, has had two Jewish Lord Mayors. The first was Louis Samuel Cohen, in 1899; the second, Harry Livermore, will end his term in May. Mr. Livermore and the Lady Mayoress of Liverpool are now concluding a ten-day visit here as guests of the External Affairs Department of the Jewish Agency.

A greying, bespectacled lawyer, Mr. Livermore has been a Labour member of the Liverpool City Council since 1938, with an interruption of five years in 1947. In 1955, the year the Labour Party took control of the City for the first time in history on a landslide that gave it two-thirds of the 160 councillors, he began a six-year term as Alderman. The council has five other Jewish members, and the Jewish community has made its mark on the city. The Liverpool Recorder, who is the second citizen after the Lord Mayor and has the standing of a High Court Judge, with wide jurisdiction in criminal matters, is Mr. Neville Laski. But whereas the Recorder is a life-time officer, the Lord Mayor serves for one year only, an unwritten rule that was broken only in wartime.

The Lord Mayor presides over all meetings of the full council. He must be strictly impartial, and his function is "similar to that of the Speaker of the House of Commons. I can't take part in a debate or influence decisions. I am responsible for keeping order and the rules of debate."

"You have to be very careful indeed of what you say, so as not to offend anybody," explains the Lord Mayor. "You mustn't discuss politics, because during your year of office you have no politics. I represent a cosmopolitan city, and I must represent every citizen in it, irrespective of class, colour or creed." The city has a large population of Chinese, Jamaicans, West Africans and Arabs. But on the whole it has certainly far less of a colour problem than some other English towns.

The job carries no salary, although the city provides a fixed expense account of £5,000. During the year Mr. Livermore found himself with so much entertaining and business to do that he has had to leave his law practice to his partners and large staff. But every citizen of Liverpool considers the job an honour.

With a budget of over £10m. the city faces many problems, chief of which is rehousing almost 50,000 people still in need of proper homes after the Blitz. Liverpool's slums are among the worst in Britain. Developing city roads and the seven miles of docks is also high on the agenda.

In their extensive tour of Israel, the Lord Mayor and his Lady have been "tremendously impressed" by the development, the kibbutzim, the pride the people take in their country, and especially the children. "They are so well looked after, even in the poor quarters." Although not active in the Zionist Federation, Mr. Livermore has been a sympathizer and subscriber. He is proud that the two destroyers bought in Britain by Israel were fitted out in his city (the two submarines are now being fitted there). He brought gifts from the city of Liverpool to Tel Aviv and Jerusalem, which he presented to their mayors.

At the home of Mr. Stanley Jackson, a former Liverpudlian, the Lord Mayor met members of the legal profession, with whom he had an interesting discussion on the legal problems of Israel.

He also heard the IPO at the Mann Auditorium, "a great experience," he said. He is a music-lover and before becoming Lord Mayor served for three years as chairman of the Liverpool Philharmonic Society.

Y. FRIEDLER

New Institute Of Archaeology

The Queen Elisabeth of Belgium Institute of Archaeology on the Hebrew University campus. At left Dr. N. Avigad, Lecturer in Archaeology, inspects a lead sarcophagus bearing Jewish symbols found during last season's excavations at Beth Shearim.

Archaeology Impressive at H.U.

THE Queen Elisabeth of Belgium Institute of Archaeology building dedicated today on the Hebrew University campus in the presence of Her Majesty, sets the royal seal on the wanderings of the Department of Archaeology, 29 years since it was created: from its founding on Mount Scopus, 23 years ago, to private dwellings in Jerusalem's Rehov Alharizi, then to another site in Rehov Jabotinsky, and finally last June, to its present new home.

The low-lying rectangular building, on a rocky hill at the entrance of the campus, has the severity of a temple to a god of antiquity, but inside air and light seem to be the primary materials of its architecture. Its abstractness defies all time classification, and the large ancient earthenware urns and other relics embellishing its foyers and inner patios make no discord with its white and grey walls, dark red floors and expanses of window.

The building, designed by Mr. Moshe Zarchi of Rechter, Zarchi and Rechter, contains a beautifully proportioned bijou lecture hall, a study collection museum, a library, a seminar room, a room for each of the teaching staff, and everywhere, relics arranged in showcases in various corners. Ascending steps into the main entrance, one sights a bust of the Queen.

Every other Israeli probably claims to be "something of an archaeologist." Archaeology is the national hobby and in this field at least the country is rich in natural resources. But the 53 students now in the Institute have to take their archaeology as more than a pastime. Professors admit that the course is a hard one, and that as a rule it takes six years to graduate as M.A. instead of the stipulated five. About three or four graduate annually. They find employment with museums, the Department of Antiquities, and so forth.

Five Branches

Among the 25 or so who have been graduated from the Department of Archaeology were Dr. Yigael Yadin, Dr. Nahman Avigad and Dr. Yohanan Aharoni, all of whom now teach there together with the President of the University, Prof. Binyamin Mazar, and Professors Michael Avi-Yonah and Moshe Stekelis. Professor Mazar, once in the Institute, is determined not be distracted from the work so close to his heart; he ordered that no telephone be installed in his room.

The archaeology student—who also takes another subject for his degree — must choose two of five branches of archaeology: the Biblical and Second Jewish Commonwealth period, which is obligatory, and a choice between Roman and Byzantine archaeology, Islamic archaeology, Historical Geography, and Prehistory. Roman-Byzantine and Prehistory run neck and neck as the most popular choices.

With the book work goes the spade work and before taking his degree (three years for a B.A.) every student must do his "articles" and spend at least six weeks working on excavations, half the time on a dig in its early stages and the rest on one that is advanced. In practice, the students usually do much more. Many students also learn and earn at excavations in the summer vacation. Last summer 20 of them worked with Dr. Yadin at Hatzor.

"Join the school and see the world" say the students. Every two years they go abroad on archaeological tours subsidized by the University. Last year it was Turkey, before then Greece, and in 1960 it will probably be Italy.

The Institute stands alone on the right side of the road to the campus, and the students speak of the rest of the University as "the annex over the way." Another saying, coined by one of the professors, is "People in glass houses should not throw potsherds" (reference to the building's extensive glazing).

Since 1926, when the University instituted its archaeological studies and when the staff consisted of one young man destined to become internationally famous —the late Prof. Eliezer Sukenik, whose crowning work was the Dead Sea Scrolls—the Department's men have chalked up an enviable record:

- The discovery, by Prof. Sukenik together with Dr. (later Prof.) L.A. Mayer, of the forecast but till then unconfirmed remains of the Third Wall of Jerusalem.
- The unearthing of the synagogue at Beit Alpha, with its famous mosaic pavement, and later of the synagogue at Hamat Gader, in the Yarmuk Valley, by Prof. Sukenik and his assistant, Nahman Avigad.
- Dr. Yadin's continuation of his father's work on the Dead Sea scrolls.
- The two archaeological expeditions to the Sinai Peninsula in 1956, led by Prof. Mazar, and his uncovering of the ancient Jewish town and necropolis at Beth Shearim, where excavation work is still continuing.
- Prof. Mazar's discovery of 12 strata of habitation, some dating back to the pre-Davidic period, at Tel Qasileh on the banks of the Yarkon River.

Most of these excavations were conducted in cooperation with international bodies, the Israel Exploration Society, or the Government Department of Antiquities.

Big Expansion

The last 12 years have seen a considerable expansion of archaeological studies at the Hebrew University, from trial digs to large-scale expeditions. Important discoveries were made by Prof. Avi-Yonah, Dr. Avigad, and Dr. Aharoni at Massada, by Prof. Avi-Yonah at Caesaria, (to which he will probably return this summer) and by Dr. Avigad near Herzliya. With the introduction of prehistory as a subject of study, investigations by Prof. Stekelis at the caves of Kebara and Nahal Oren have aroused considerable attention. The largest archaeological undertaking since the establishment of the State was the James de Rothschild expedition at Hatzor directed by Dr. Yadin.

Away from these field activities, and others unmentioned, off-season finds have to be examined, classified, and in many cases reconstructed, not to speak of the mass of paper work following excavations. In its new edifice, situated close to the projected Government Museum of Antiquities, the Department now has the facilities it needs and promises to bring further honours to a distinguished record.

SHALOM COHEN

TO THE SUMMIT

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Readers' Letters

SYDNEY SMITH

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir,—I read with deep regret that the Canadian Minister for External Affairs, Dr. Sidney Smith, died earlier this month at the early age of 62. Dr. Smith was President of the University of Toronto before he left for Ottawa in 1957 and I had the good fortune of being a member of the Faculty during the last six years of his time in Toronto. While others are no doubt better qualified to do justice to Dr. Smith's long career of public service, which took him from his native Nova Scotia to the Prairies and back again to the centre of Canada, you will perhaps permit me to put on record some words of tribute to Dr. Smith as I knew him when he stood at the head of one of Canada's greatest Universities.

Sidney Smith met everyone with whom he came into contact with unfailing courtesy and with genuine friendliness. He took an interest in the well-being of all members of the University, students and staff of all grades alike. Whenever the Faculty Council was faced with the problem of a student on the brink of disaster, he would tend to come down on the side of mercy. His comprehensive annual reports to the Governors and Senate of the University were written in a scholarly and sometimes even leisurely style, yet he never hesitated to take a clear stand on important issues of University policy. Softness of tone combined with clarity of content characterized also his remarks in discussion. I recall a celebration arranged early in 1957 by students from a great Asian country, when he asked them in his typically firm and friendly way to try and understand also the point of view of three countries, including Israel, which had shortly before then taken certain steps that were at the time quite unpopular not only in Asia but also on the American continent.

Sidney Smith was completely free from any prejudice regarding race, religion or colour. I still recall the unhesitating disdain with which he turned down the offer of a scholarship upon which the would-be donor had imposed some restrictive conditions concerning the origins or religion of the beneficiary — "We do not want that sort of thing here."

Sidney Smith represented the Progressive Conservative Party of Canada but (though this should come as a surprise only to those who take the political concepts from continental Europe) he was also a great Liberal. And, transcending local politics, he was a great Canadian.

Yours, etc.
ABRAHAM ROBINSON
Chairman,
Department of Mathematics,
Hebrew University.
Jerusalem, March 19.

PRO- OR ANTI-NASSER?

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In today's Column One Nissim Rejwan seems to uphold two diametrically opposed interpretations of recent events in the Middle East. He writes, on the one hand, of Nasser's "claim that the only alternative to his brand of Arab nationalism was Communism" — clearly implying that in fact this is not the case — and of Cairo's "trying to get into the West's good books at Baghdad's expense, hoping simultaneously to rescue its positive neutralism and to establish hegemony over Iraq." On the other hand, in the very same column he maintains that "the Communists ... are the only wholeheartedly anti-Nasser group in Iraq." The implication — that the majority of Iraqis exhibit varying degrees of pro-Nasserism — is heavily underlined in Mr. Rejwan's concluding sentence: "It may well be that a substantial section of Iraqi public opinion — and the Iraqi Army — will not tolerate a prolonged and open breach with Egypt."

Now, which is it: Nasser and the Iraqi People vs. the Communist menace? Or — Nasser exploiting Communist activity to foist his own leadership on an unwilling Iraq?

It seems to me that these two propositions are mutually exclusive. Yet Mr. Rejwan, in effect, argues in favour of both.

Yours, etc.
MOSHE AUMANN
Jerusalem, March 18.

The emphasis should be on the word "wholeheartedly." I fail to understand Mr. Aumann's view that the implication of my statement should be "that the majority of Iraqis exhibit varying degrees of pro-Nasserism." Surely it may mean that the majority of Iraqis exhibit varying degrees of anti-Nasserism"? That, at least, was what I thought it to be.
NISSIM REJWAN

MUDDY LANE

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — Our city fathers have done so much lately for the improvement of our streets that one may be inclined to hope that they will also remember the many thousands of Jerusalem citizens who use the facilities of the Y.M.C.A. and who have to scramble precariously around the muddy lakes and ditches of the lane connecting the Y.M.C.A. with Terra Sancta (Lincoln St.).

This is especially hasardous at night, when, several times weekly, hundreds of would-be concert-goers have to negotiate this connection of some 40 metres' length, which, though built up on both sides is clad in complete darkness.

Yours, etc.
YOHANAN BOEHM
Jerusalem, February 25.

Municipality Replies

This lane is included in the list of works which are to be carried out in the coming fiscal year.

SH. ZEEVI
Press and Information Director
Jerusalem Municipality
Jerusalem, March 8.

U.S. IMMIGRATION

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In reply to Mr. Sam Levin's letter which appeared in your issue of March 16, we should like to point out that Mr. Shragai, at the Convention of the Association of Americans and Canadians in Israel, stated that since 1956 the Jewish Agency has shared the cost of the passage of American immigrants to Israel.

Mr. Levin is right about the year 1954-55. In 1956, however, the Jewish Agency assisted 38 families with the sum of $33,972 and in the following year, 140 families with $40,254. Figures are not yet available for 1958.

Yours, etc.
Dr. B. J. GUGGENHEIM
Information Department,
Jewish Agency
Jerusalem, March 22.

WAR RISK POLICIES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — In my article in your issue of March 27, the word "cargo" was substituted for "freight."

I should like to note that no changes have been contemplated in the War Risk Clauses for cargo. Only the War Risk Clause for hull and freight will be changed as from April 1 to exclude the risk of "political seizure."

Cargo shipped via Suez to or from Israel is also generally insured against confiscation (according to the "Confiscation Transit Clauses".)

Yours, etc.
GUSTAV LIEBLING
Tel Aviv, March 27.

PASSPORT FEES

Editor, The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — To raise passport and exit visa fees once more is really unheard of and cannot be justified under any circumstances... Whether you are not allowed to leave the country, or whether you have to pay amounts which you cannot afford makes little difference. The well-to-do and officials going on missions will continue to go abroad as they did before whereas people with moderate means will be deprived of this right.

The additional explanations given with regard to the new fees can only be described as cynical. The doubling of fees which have already been excessive is described as moderate. Then what would appear to be immoderate in this case? The amount to be raised is comparatively small and has nothing to do with the needs of immigration.

Yours, etc.
B. HOSENER
(Name and Address Supplied)
Haifa, March 21.

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YESTERDAY'S PRESS COMMENT

Municipal Bill Too Late

Al Hamishmar (Mapam) writes that while the local government draft law is highly commendable, it has come too late for the present Knesset to discuss, make the necessary amendments and enact. Why was the Minister of the Interior so tardy in drawing it up?

Davar (Histadrut) hazards the guess that the Minister was impelled to submit his proposal, which as much as deprives the chairmen of the councils of their powers and hands them over to the councils, as a counter to the Prime Minister's proposal for direct mayoralty elections. This will shortly be brought up for vote, while the Minister's draft is still in its formative stage and therefore has no chance. On the other hand, the paper heartily supports Mr. Bar Yehuda's suggestions for pegging Municipal tax rates to income.

Herut declares that Mapai is really the culprit of the very charges which its Secretary-General imputed to the Herut movement last week, but agrees with Mr. Josephthal that Herut is Mapai's most formidable opponent.

Lamerhav (Ahdut Ha'avoda) avers that Mapai's aim is to perpetuate its hegemony in the Histadrut and that the majority party, despite the non-defamation agreement, is not averse to charging that Ahdut Ha'avoda is a partner of Herut; but the electorate will not be misled.

Ha'aretz (non-party) writes that the Government faces a difficult choice between the French bid for the construction of the Haifa dock and the supposed political advantage accruing from it, and Dutch know-how and experience. Arguing that we must think twice in a matter that involves a million pounds, the paper favours the Dutch bid, though it is more expensive.

Omer (Histadrut) hails the idea of a Farmer-to-Farmer week before the opening of the Agricultural Convention when husbandmen from 30 countries will be accommodated in the homes of Israel farmers. Don't dress up, the paper advises, but let our visitors see you as you are and thus learn to appreciate the problems you have to face.

After last week's Egged bus disaster, **Hatzofe** (National Religious) urges again that the time has come to tighten the screw and to clamp down on violations.

AT THE CINEMA

Shady Gang

THE man who hides the fact that he is married, the rich industrialist who turn out to be a bogus financier (played by Henri Vidal in the most polished performance of the film), the manager who seems to be unattached but is actually queer, the might-have-been true love who, unfortunately, is a burglar on the run (Daniel Gelin) — such are the "Charmants Garçons" (Armon, Haifa) who lay their snares around a would-be innocent heroine (Zizi Jeanmaire who, since she is a dancer in real life, has a wisp of a ballet made for her by Roland Petit).

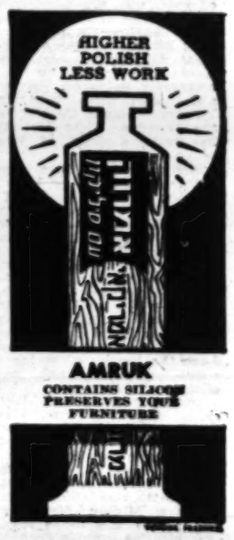
But the complications are even more widespread — the wife who is giving her husband tit for tat, the boxer who leads such an ascetic life but can find consolation — in short, a nice band of shady worthies who would do credit to a Palais Royal farce, many of whose stock parts the film employs. As lighthearted, cynical and crazy a plot as we have laughed at for some time.

H.

Love and Resistance

CAT-eyed Francoise Arnoul (who visited Israel for the premiere of this film three months ago) is the Resistance heroine and Juliet who becomes tragically enmeshed with a Wehrmacht Romeo in *La Chatte* (Arnon, J'lem). Her fall, from dedicated worker avenging her husband's death to a befuddled female blinded by love, is rather lost sight of at times; many scenes are too drawn-out and some judicious cutting would have kept this thriller more highly paced. The "human" Hauptmann is not very subtly contrasted with a Yul Brynnerish counter-espionage monster who sends him on a mission to smash a resistance ring... by making love to the Cat. The camera dwells more on the Arnoul landscape than on the streets of Occupied Paris, but the sound and music (by Kosma) are excellent, as is the acting of veteran Bernard Blier, who plays the Underground Commander to the hilt.

M. R.



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